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A NEW DEPARTMENT.

Secretary of Mines and Mining Proposed for the Cabinet.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

The Precedent for the Success of the Sister Industry.

NEW PORTFOLIOS EXPENSIVE.

Colorado Does not Seem to Catch on to the Idea With Alacrity—Relief for Flood Sufferers.

WASHINGTON, June 10.—An interesting proposition is that made by one Mr. Cambinetti, who suggests that the cabinet be augmented by the creation of a department of mines and mining. The department of agriculture seems to have justified its existence and the author of the new suggestion apparently believes that the sister industry would require similar recognition from the government. But Colorado, the one state above all others to champion any suggestions that hold out promises of benefit to mining interests, has not demonstrated even a mild degree of enthusiasm over the proposition. If the proposed department were practicable and could be put to real service it is to be imagined that something would have been heard from the men most concerned. New portfolios are expensive luxuries. Possibly the cost of a department of mines would be greater than its services to the country would justify. Nor can every industry have a department specifically devoted to itself. Any new addition to the present organization of the cabinet will be looked upon with suspicion by the public at large as being chiefly useful in the distribution of government jobs for political ends. A new department would, in the Addisonian parlance of the lobby, be but a puddin' for the politicians.

MINNEAPOLIS MOSAIC.

Sketches of Daily Walks and Talks, and Convention Bulletins.

MINNEAPOLIS, June 10.—Up to the time Mr. Quay took the floor last night, for the first speech of the convention on the Alabama contested case, it has been commonly remarked that the gentlemen who are supporting Mr. Blaine claim everything and disclose nothing. In fact Mr. Quay's silence has seemed to be a little less soft and thick, less velvety in character, than the triple-ply, plush-lined silence of Mr. Blaine. Experts in the matter have noted that, while the Quay article creaks and rustles a little at times, Mr. Blaine's keeps up one low monotonous purr of perfect inaudibility. As a large part of the nation has been intently hearkening to it, the breaking of it, when it does break, will be something memorable. The effect of Mr. Quay's speech may be noted on the vote. Up to this time, however, the men who are directing the Blaine movement have acted more like individuals who are committing a trespass on another man's premises than like those who lead great popular uprisings. They have moved about with dark lanterns, holding midnight conferences and conducting business in whispers and cipher. On the other hand, the Harrison managers are outspoken, and attract a great deal of attention. Their clubs all sing, as well as speak, and one of their songs has a chorus like this:

And grandfather's hat fits Ben.
It may be a trifle too tight,
For Benjamin stands about seventeen hands.
The loftiest statesman in sight;
Yes, grandfather's hat fits Ben.
He wears it with dignified grace,
So rally again and put Uncle Ben
Right back in his grandfather's place.
With this fiery outburst, combining as it does a brief genealogical history, a striking picture of the chief executive and a stirring appeal to the country at large, the verses soon increase in fervor, and have an effect for convincing the doubtful, particularly the office-seekers, the man on the fence, the fellow who says:

I'm for Blaine—
Or fur Harrison.
It's cert'nly plain
I'm for Blaine!
Horse an' foot, might and main.
Dracooms an' hull garrison.
I'm for Blaine—
Or fur Harrison!

But it must not be misunderstood, notwithstanding Mr. Depew and others tell us that "there is nothing in the Blaine movement," it is much too serious to be meant for a practical joke. Evidence of this may be observed in the fact that after Mr. Quay's speech the convention last night adopted the minority report of the committee on the Alabama contest, which was favorable to Blaine.

Convention Bulletins.
MINNEAPOLIS, June 10.—The convention was called to order at 11:35 a. m. After prayer David Martin was announced as the national committeeman from Pennsylvania, vice Quay.

The question then came up as to the remainder of the majority report of the committee on credentials, left over last night. Quay, in order to get to balloting at once, announced that they would not oppose its adoption. The Blaine men have decided not to delay the matter, but push for a vote, and it is expected a ballot will be reached this session. The result, it is said, lies between Harrison and McKinley. Ohio favors the latter. It is reliably stated that Idaho and some other far western states will turn to Harrison, if they should drop Blaine. It is reliably stated that Blaine's name will not be formally presented. His supporters, however, will vote for him, in order to hold their forces together in case it becomes necessary to turn to some compromise candidate.

Alger's name will not be presented. McKinley will get twenty or twenty-two from Michigan. Ohio will also go for McKinley. It is fairly certain that Harrison and McKinley will be nominated today. Indications in favor of Harrison. Mrs. Helen Foster of the National W. C. T. U. is now addressing the convention which is paying great attention to her, and is applauding her liberally. Wolcott, speaker for Colorado, was frequently interrupted by prolonged cheering at the mention of Blaine's name. He predicts a great victory in November for the great uncrowned leader of the republican party, James G. Blaine. [Renewed cheering.] said Blaine has never been president of our country but "will be," which caused renewal of enthusiastic applause. Wolcott said he was proud to cast his vote for a man who always sought everything for his country and nothing for himself. He finished when renewed cheering broke out, the galleries shouting "Blaine!"

When Indiana was called and Col. Dick Thompson took the platform to present the name of Harrison, great cheering followed. Thompson said he proposed to present the name of a man who does not seek success by detraction of any other great republican. I nominate for President, General Benjamin Harrison. [Great cheering.] The cheering for Harrison is more general and prolonged than that for Blaine.

Most of the Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Michigan delegates remained seated. When Michigan was called: "No candidate presented," was the answer. Eustis, of Minnesota, took the platform to second Blaine, during which, he mentioned McKinley, as "the great leader and disciple of protection," which caused great cheering. As soon as Eustis could be heard, he changed the programme, by mentioning Blaine's name which aroused a perfect storm of applause, and for a long time the only words fit for bulletins were: "Cheering and demonstration for Blaine," "ladies swinging their parasols and handkerchiefs," "cheering for Blaine increasing all over the hall," etc. During which, Reed of Maine, was on his feet waving the flag of enthusiasm as an increasing crowd gathered behind him, cheering at the top of their voices, for a full hour.

Masonic House Warming.

CHICAGO, June 10.—Proud members of the masonic fraternity held a housewarming on the twenty-first floor of the Masonic temple yesterday afternoon. Five through elevators carried the 700 guests to the top floor of the highest commercial building in the world, and the board of directors of the Masonic fraternity temple association, which built and owns the structure, did the honors as hosts. An orchestra placed amid the palms and ferns which transformed the crystal-roofed hall into a conservatory, incited several of the younger set to indulge in brief and surptitious waltzes, for [there are 10,000 square feet of dancing area in this altitudinous reception-room. Many people were turned away because they were not provided with tickets, but beginning today 25 cents will permit anybody to take the elevator and see how the world looks from a twenty-first floor window. It is the intention of the association to have this conservatory open to visitors every day. Music will be furnished twice a week.

TO TALK WITH MARS.

Interesting Recent Investigations by Astronomers.

IS THE PLANET MARS INHABITED?

If so, a Plan Seriously Suggested to Open up Communication.

MAD DOG LOOSE IN CHICAGO.

Nine Persons Bitten, one of Whom May Die—Chasing the Animal in the City—Other Notes.

CINCINNATI, June 10.—Probably none of the many fascinating theories that have been advanced by astronomers during the last decade is more interesting than the recent investigations as to the planet Mars. Seemingly, the idea that that celestial neighbor is inhabited has taken renewed hold on the savants, and, if it is not yet accepted by them as fact, they nevertheless distinctly countenance it. One of them now suggests that by leveling off a plane five miles in diameter, covering it with a coating of black and constructing thereon a frame carrying 6,000,000 intensely brilliant arc lamps, it would be possible to establish communication with the Marsians. It is even intimated that as they may be a more advanced state of civilization than ourselves they could easily respond. After seeing the earth flashing its signals at regular intervals they would construct a similar semaphore and commence inter-planetary conversation. The enormous expense of such an experiment, coupled with the uncertainty as to its result, makes it improbable that it will be tried during the present campaign.

Tables in Chicago.

CHICAGO, June 10.—Nine persons, one of whom may die, were fearfully bitten and lacerated by a mad Newfoundland dog which ran amuck in the northwest division of the city yesterday. The dog was first noticed about 2 p. m. Shortly after pursued by 200 men and boys armed with clubs and stones the dog ran out to Augusta street, biting Paul LaFerre and Frank Siska as he ran. Then running through Joseph Steiner's grocery store at 903 Milwaukee avenue, he buried his fangs in the hand of Joseph Haefner. John Beyska was the next victim. Both of his hands were bitten. A portion of the calf of Christian Iverson's left leg was torn out as he was walking up the avenue. A horse owned by James DuPlain of 29 and 31 Cornell street had its nostrils torn away. Victor LaFerre had the skin on his forehead torn and may lose the sight of his left eye. His chest was also lacerated. After a chase that lasted an hour the police drove the animal into a barn in the rear of 621 Milwaukee avenue. The officers ascended to the hay loft on a ladder and Sgt. Gainer then dropped down to the barn floor. Securing a four-pronged pitch-fork he pioned the dog to the floor, while Officers Green and Joerndt above poured a volley into his body. All the injured were cared for as speedily as possible. Their wounds were cauterized and they were sent to their homes. Riston and the little Kirchoff boy are the most seriously injured.

Relief for the Flood Sufferers.

CHICAGO, June 10.—A movement looking to the relief of the flood sufferers in Illinois has been started by Gov. Fifer. One of the preliminaries was acted on by the city council last night. It is difficult for Chicago's citizens to understand the condition that prevails in the river districts of this state. Hundreds of farms are under water and the people are destitute and homeless. It was hoped that the floods would subside with the advent of June, but another came on. The wretchedness of those suffering from the high waters cannot easily be exaggerated. The unfortunate need immediate and abundant aid. It is expected that within the next few days the relief movement will be well under way. It is designed that the arrangements shall be such that donors can feel assured that their charities will be properly applied.

How it Worked.

Baker City Democrat: The Australian system worked to perfection and strikers were entirely at sea in their efforts to beat it in any particular. Less boodle was used than at any previous election held in Baker county, but not a small number of V's were distributed with the view of bribing voters. Whether the goods were delivered accordingly to contract will never be known to other than the elector.

The Missing Link.

Chicago News: The Hon. R. R. Link of Franklin county has been nominated by the prohibitionists for governor of Illinois. Without prejudice to the admirable gentlemen, we venture the prediction that early next November it will be demonstrated that he is the missing Link we all have heard so much of.

East Oregonian: Election day was calm and peaceful in Pendleton, barring the natural stir on the streets. The Australian ballot system was very satisfactory, though a trifle slow. The booths were kept constantly filled, and voters were compelled to await their turn as in a crowded barber shop. Yet the power of the "strikers" and "heelers" was in a great measure prevented, and the voter could go to the polls and deposit his ballot without molestation. This is one feature of the law especially commendable.

HARRISON NOMINATED.

The First Ballot Cast for the President—Made Unanimous.

MINNEAPOLIS, June 10.—Order was restored at 2:35, and at 3:16 p. m. roll call commenced. Harrison was nominated on the first ballot. Oregon cast 7 votes for McKinley, Maine was solid for Blaine. Indiana for Harrison. The final result was announced in the midst of the wildest scenes of excitement and cheering, and on motion of Depew was made unanimous. The vote was 904 1/2—necessary to a choice 453. Harrison 535 1-0; Blaine 182 1-0; McKinley 182; Reed 4; Lincoln 1. The convention adjourned until 8 p. m.

The Genoa Celebration.

GENOA, June 11.—Italy will celebrate the fourth centenary of the discovery of America in this city, beginning July 1st. The celebration will be opened by the King and Queen, in the presence of representatives from the states of North and South America, the quiral principal officers of state and many civil and military dignitaries the character of the exhibition will be that of a collection of samples of all the agricultural, industrial and artistic products of Italy and America, divided into two great sections, one Italian the other American. The exhibition buildings, which are now advanced toward completion, will be of handsome proportions and artistic design, and erected on a splendid esplanade skirting the right bank of the River Bisagno, and covering an area of 110,000 square meters. The Argentine government will send a corvette to Genoa for the fetes attending the opening ceremony. All the other South American governments have also expressed a willingness to promote the success of the exhibition.

No Peace for the Irish.

NEW YORK, June 10.—The Federation of America has for some time been corresponding with the leaders of the national party of Ireland, with a view of securing united action between the two factions at the general election. The proposition not to contest seats where the constituency was Parnellite was discussed by the executive board of the Federation of America, and forwarded to McCarthy for consideration of his party. The outcome of the correspondence is shown in the following dispatch from Dillon to Redmond: "The proposed terms are impossible, and not honestly meant. The constituencies would revolt. We have gone as far for peace as the country will stand. The country now must decide at the polls."

The Relative Rate.

While at Seattle recently Mr. Hill was interviewed by a Press-Times reporter, who asked him, among other things, about the "relative rate," to which he referred in a recent interview in the Review. In the course of the Press-Times interview the reporter inquired: "What is a 'relative rate,' President Hill?"

"I refer you, my dear sir, to a book about so big," he said, holding his hands a certain distance apart, like the man in the theater who was going a for pane of glass.

"And when you have found it do not forget it, but write down the definition. I believe the term is composed of English words and susceptible of being defined." I am not going to offer a prize for the best definition of 'relative rate,' nor shall I run the risk of having my construction of the English language criticised by attempting to give an exact definition.

"Webster goes, does it?"
"Webster goes."

Asking a Great Deal.

Portland paper: "Will you have some strawberry short-cake, Mr. Withers?" asked the waiter. "Yes," replied Mr. Withers, "and some strawberries, also, please."

A KANSAS COALITION.

How the Democrats Propose to Carry That State.

A FUSION WITH THE ALLIANCE.

Statement of the Political Complexion and Possible Vote.

POSSIBLE STRONG COMBINATION.

The Basis of the Fusion Would Give the Democrats Three Congressmen. Minor Mention.

KANSAS CITY, June 11.—There are strong indications that the state of Kansas is not in good condition for the republican muster in 1892. With evident designs the democrats talk of carrying the state. In order to do this a fusion has been effected with the people's party, embracing the farmers alliance organizations. The people's party is composed mainly of republicans. In 1890, on the vote for governor, the people's candidate had 36 per cent. of the total, the republican candidate 36 per cent. and the democrats 24 per cent. It will be seen from this that the combined democratic and peoples parties have outvoted the republicans. The basis of fusion will give the democrats the congressman for the state at large and those from the 1st and 2d districts and an associate justice of the Supreme court. The peoples party will be given nearly everything else. It is said that the electoral vote is not yet fully conceded to the peoples party, but that they are very anxious to secure the prize. It is not unlikely that the peoples party leaders look hopefully upon the possibility of securing a balance of power in the electoral college.

The Successful Ones.

PORTLAND, June 11.—Following is an authentic list of the successful candidates in Multnomah county: Sheriff, P. Kelly, independent; circuit court clerk, H. E. Reed, citizens; clerk county court, T. C. Powell, republican; recorder, H. C. Allen, citizens; commissioner, Philo Holbrook, republican; treasurer, C. A. Malarky, citizens; assessor, Geo. C. Sears, independent; school supt., J. Haekerman, republican; surveyor, R. S. Greenleaf, republican; coroner, J. A. Hughes, citizens; district attorney, W. T. Hume, republican. Of the senators elected, one is a democrat, C. H. Woodard, elected on the citizens ticket. The others are straight republican, O. N. Denny, H. E. McGinn and F. A. Bancroft. Of the representatives, two are citizen-democrats, R. D. Inman and John Gill; seven are straight republicans: Geo. T. Myers, W. R. Bishop, H. F. Gullixon, W. P. Keady, A. B. Manley, O. F. Paxton and H. H. Northup.

Less Than a Pound.

Heppner Gazette. The instances on record of the birth of a child weighing less than one pound, yet perfect in form and feature and in apparent health are so rare as to elicit special notice. A pigmy male child of premature birth, was born last week to the wife of W. B. Hinkle, of Heppner, recently from Lena, this county, that answers to the above description. Though wrapped in swaddling clothes, the weight at birth was barely a pound. The infant is doing well, and no unusual symptoms occur, save that it sleeps almost constantly. Dr. Fox thinks it may live and thrive.

Condition of Col. Polk.

WASHINGTON, June 10.—Colonel Polk, president of the farmer's alliance, is considerably improved. The physician hopes he will recover.

More Bodies Recovered.

TITUSVILLE, June 10.—Two bodies of Jacob Bingheim's family of eight, lost in the flood and fire, were discovered today.

MINNEAPOLIS MOSAIC.

Harrison for President—Whitelaw Reid for Vice-President.

MINNEAPOLIS, June 11.—The city appears very quiet this morning, as might be expected after the exciting scenes of the previous sixty hours, during which time it is safe to say but few delegates to the convention have had any rest. The labor performed yesterday was remarkable.

The Columbia club, from Indianapolis, almost to a man, were sleeplessly united in the work, led by such men as Gen. Lew Wallace, with the American flag knotted in the lapel of his coat. "Here is the badge I wore in Chicago," he would say, "four years ago when we nominated Harrison. It means good luck, and is a sign that we will again carry the day for him."

It would take a search warrant to discover any Blaine sentiment this morning. Such is the history of conventions. But what his friends have asked for him should not be, and will not be considered discreditable to him. It is highly probable that he was embarrassed by one consideration. He was not permitted to express a willingness to accept the nomination until it became apparent that he could be nominated. The first ballot put a final quietus on the question. However, even after the vote of Oregon, when it was doubtful if a nomination could be made on the first ballot.

It is not improbable that the secretary of state believed the conditions similar to those in Chicago in 1884. His interests were in the hands of the party's ablest politicians. The opposition was made up in part of officeholders who were eager to be with the winner. His rival had nothing of the magnetic quality. The Blaine sentiment was still abroad. Why, then, should not the Harrison forces melt away in the convention as did the Arthur forces? But the conditions were not the same. Mr. Blaine had had his opportunity. Eight years after his defeat by the people he has more fame but he is farther away from those who rally his support, and he and his friends should not have deceived themselves by the thought that the conditions are the same as they were in 1884.

Clarkson, Quay, Filley, Dudley and the active influences for Blaine; are practically the bosses and the manipulators; they have the fine Italian hands that are so effective in bringing about results; but against these agents of magnetism was arrayed a curious conglomeration of emotionless, negative elements. The question was, will the fire melt the ice, or will the ice quench the fire? A good deal of interesting history will be made during the pending campaign.

Blaine, who has lived in the hearts of the people these many years, is practically retired from active political life. The fly leaves in the volumes of history which have been moulded by his public acts are dotted with memories, grateful and otherwise. His friends do not believe that he has any disposition to end any embarrassments thus inscribed by cutting these fly leaves out of his life work and consigning the entire lot to the flames.

Convention Bulletins.

MINNEAPOLIS, June 10, 8:30 p. m.—Convention was called to order. Pennsylvania selected Whitelaw Reid as candidate for vice-president. The roll of states was ordered for the presentation of candidates.

O'Connor of New York here sent in the name of Whitelaw Reid for Vice-President. O'Connor's statement that his state acquiesced to this was heartily applauded. The nomination being formally seconded, Reid was nominated by acclamation.

A Remarkable Increase.

WASHINGTON, June 10.—The department of agriculture issues a statement showing the imports of 'American' corn into Germany for the first three months of this year, compared with a corresponding time last year, have increased from 1,111,000 bushels to 5,848,000.

Does Not Like the Place.

SAN JOSE, Cal., June 10.—It is stated that Professor S. W. Burnham has resigned the position of senior astronomer at Lick observatory and will shortly return to his old home in Chicago.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE